

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Number : 10/725,076 Confirmation No.: 2702
First Named Inventor : Mark ZOELLER, *et al.*
Filed : December 2, 2003
Title : BINDING ASSAYS THAT USE T1R2/T1R3 (SWEET)
TASTE RECEPTOR TO IDENTIFY COMPOUNDS THAT
ELICIT OR MODULATE SWEET TASTE
TC/Art Unit : To Be Assigned
Examiner: : To Be Assigned
Docket No. : 67824.713001
Customer No. : 21967

MAIL STOP MISSING PARTS

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the attached "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application," mailed November 23, 2007, Applicants submit the remarks beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Applicants also authorize the Commissioner to charge the undersigned's **Deposit Account No. 50-0206** in the amount of \$65.00 for the late surcharge fee for a small entity. No additional fees are believed necessary with this submission. However, in the event any variance exists between the amount authorized to be charged and the amount determined by the Commissioner to enter this response, or keep this application pending, please charge or credit such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

REMARKS

Oath

The Notice states that the signature of inventor Jon Elliot Adler is missing from the Declaration. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the requirement that Mr. Alder sign the Declaration in view of the following remarks.

In Application No. 10/179,373 (“the ‘373 application”), the parent of the instant application, Applicants petitioned under Rule 1.47(a) to show that Mr. Adler refused to join in the filing the ‘373 application.¹ Applicants’ petition was granted and the ‘373 application was accorded Rule 1.47(a) status. *See* Decision According Status Under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a), attached herewith as **Exhibit A**.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the instant application, like the ‘373 application, be accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

Sequence Compliance

Concurrently with this response, Applicants have filed a Request to Transfer Previously Filed Sequence Listing and Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 (“Request to Transfer”). Applicants submit that the Request for Transfer is responsive to the Notice.

¹ The instant application is a divisional of the ‘373 application.

CONCLUSION

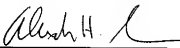
An indication of allowance of all claims is earnestly solicited. Early notification of a favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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